Rec July 8
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San Francisco
June 7 1863

Dr. Ge. Engelmann

My dear Sir:

I forward by steamer of June 10th a box packed by Mr. Bolander for you & left here by him on his departure for Mendocino & Humboldt Counties. Such I say about from them, I have prepaid the freight to N.Y. ($13.87 gold) which was as far as I could pay on this side. Please let me know the charges from N.Y. to St. Louis.

~~I have taken the liberty~~ to direct the box for by Slow Express & of course will arrive at N.Y. by the next steamer after the one which takes

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this to you. Mr. Blanchard has just left for the north. When I possess me his will make fine collections, especially of Cryptogams. He expects to be absent a month, or so. Mr. Kellogg is going to Russian America & will, I believe bring back a goodly store of plants from that region.

Very truly Yours

J. D. Whitney

G. W. Engelmann

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Rec'd Dec 28

San Francisco
Aug 1 1867

Dr Geo. Engelmann M.D.

My dear Sir:

I take pleasure in introducing to you Mr. R. D. Cotter, who has been for several years on this coast connected with our Geological Survey & with the W. U. Telegraph Co. He can tell you much of California & Russian America. I have no doubt that you will be pleased to make his acquaintance

Very truly Yours
J. D. Whitney

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San Francisco
Jan 28 1870

Dr. G. Engelmann:

My dear Sir:

As I believe that you are pretty well acquainted with Bolander, Gray, Brewer & others with the character of the Geological Survey of California, & that, as a man of Science, you feel an interest in my efforts to prevent the results of our work from being lost, I take the liberty of asking you to aid me in trying to save something from the wreck made by the last Legislature, & likely to be endorsed by this, unless strong efforts are made to prevent it.

My friends in the Legislature think that an expression of

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Albany 7 Jan 6 1845

Dear Colonel Engelmann

I have received your letter of Dec 27 with the seeds, for which I thank you very much.

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opinion from eminent scientific men the other side of the mountains will be of value in refuting the charges made against me that the survey is a failure, that it has accomplished nothing & that I am incompetent &c &c, the real secret of the opposition being in the fact that they are unable to use me as a tool for furthering their swindling schemes.

If you feel disposed to assist in the effort which is making it, if not serve the survey, at least save some of the results already obtained & in process of publication, I would be much obliged to you if you would address a letter to "Hon E. Tompkins, Senator, Sacramento Cal", in your capacity as Pres.t of the St Louis Academy, endorsing the survey as strongly as your conscience will allow.

Yr. ob. S. Engelmann
St. Louis.

Very truly Yours
J. D. Whitney

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Rec'd Dec 25th

San Francisco
Dec 14 1871.

Dr. Geo. Engelmann

My dear Sir: Your favor of the 6th is just received.

If your brother comes on here, I will do my best to put him in communication with mining men here; although, owing to my official position here, I have to be very cautious in such matters. I know your brother well by reputation as having been long engaged on the Illinois Levee, but as, I have not the advantage of his personal acquaintance, I cannot of course feel that confidence in putting him forward that I should otherwise have. As your brother, it would give me much pleasure to render assistance to him in establishing himself here, or in making a visit here to form an acquaintance with Californian ways of doing things. Not having, at present, any acquaintance at Salt Lake City, the world having driven those whom I knew out of the country, for the present, I do not see how I can render him any service there.

I did not establish my

barometrical stations at Denver for two reasons: one was, that the statements in regard to the elevation of Denver are so conflicting, as given by the r.r. authorities, that I did not feel as if the station was well enough determined to be of great use to me; & another reason was that they were all so excited there about railroad matters that I could get no one to pay any attention to my affairs. Even the Byers was so excited on the subject of the new railroad that I felt doubtful if he would give much heed to the observations. Next spring I hope the circumstances will be more favorable; but I shall have to go there & devote considerable time to the matter in order to effect the necessary arrangements. I hope also to be able to clear up the difficulties with regard to the altitude of Denver & Georgetown.

Very truly
Yours
J. D. Whitney

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Cambridge Mass
Jan 5/82

My dear Sir:

Will you favor me with St Gaudens address of you on Henry? I am collecting information for Dr. Reddesen, for use in preparing the new edition of "Pflanzenreich Handwörterbuch der Exacten Wissenschaften" – Hence the inquiry.

With best respects

J D Whitney

When you receive the second volume of the California Botany from the Watsons.

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